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## <u>INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT</u>

Sir:

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants respectfully direct the Examiner's attention to the documents listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of each document so listed is enclosed.

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The foregoing documents were cited during prosecution of a Japanese

application corresponding to the above-identified application.

English-language abstracts for each of the foregoing Japanese documents

have been located and are enclosed for the Examiner's consideration. The concise

explanation of relevance for each of the non-English language documents is believed to be

satisfied by the English language abstracts. See MPEP § 609.

The subject application has received an Office Action on the merits but has

not yet received either a final action or a Notice Of Allowance. Accordingly, this

Information Disclosure Statement is filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) and is accompanied by

the \$180.00 fee specified at 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p). The Examiner is requested to review the

cited information in its entirety and to make an independent determination of the

materiality of the information to the claimed invention. Additionally, the Examiner is

requested to indicate that this information has been considered by initialing the appropriate

portion of Form PTO-1449 and returning the initialed form to Applicant with the next

communication.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa,

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